

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method and system that enables a mediator server to  
20 provide opportunities for individuals to sell and buy services  
between them. Mediator server acts as an intermediary agent to  
support the service transactions occurring between service  
providers and service purchasers. Mediator server is connected  
to a service provider terminal and to a service purchaser  
25 terminal over a network. The mediator server contains a database  
for a list of service providers, and the mediator server presents  
the list of service providers to the service purchaser for  
display on the service purchaser terminal, from which the  
service purchaser selects the service provider expected to offer  
30 the service desired. Responsive to selection of the service  
provider by the service purchaser, the mediator server transfers  
a service purchase request to the appropriate service provider  
for display on the service provider terminal, to allow the  
service provider to decide on whether to accept or decline the  
35 request, based on the information in the request. This decision  
is communicated to the mediator server, which transfers it to  
the service purchaser.